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Re:      Applicant(s): Howard M. Kingston  
 Assignee: Metra, Inc.  
 Title: Method And Apparatus For Automated In-Process, Isotope Dilution Threshold  
 And Quantification Measurement Mass Spectrometry  
 Serial No.: 10/004,627      Filed: 12/04/2001  
 Examiner: James P. Hughes      Group Art Unit: 2881  
 Docket No.: M-15307 US

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Facsimile Cover Sheet;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); and
- (3) Supplemental Response to the Submission in Support of a Request For Continued Prosecution.



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